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Your letter of 29 September 1947 is correct in pointing out that staffing and servicing a large Far East station at the location now being considered promises to be a major problem. [Redacted] with the same considerations in mind, has suggested that [Redacted] with no better facilities than now available, could take over [Redacted] coverage, and that such an arrangement might be continued after the peace treaty by utilizing the embassy there. It is the easy availability of well-qualified linguists which makes this proposal attractive. I believe, however, that we cannot profitably weigh alternative proposals until a thorough consideration of the results of [Redacted] present survey and other sources of information give a more definitive idea of the problems involved.

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With reference to the advisability of moving the [Redacted] station back to [Redacted] it seems to me that at least until the permanency of a [Redacted] is established no considerations of mere convenience would justify the expense, which could be undertaken only if your present location became untenable by reason of complete unavailability of communications or other circumstances.

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Very truly yours,

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Chief, FBIB

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